

City Intelligence.

PURIFICATION OF THE CITY.—A SANITARY CENSUS, The Heath Weasans in the different wards of the city, have commenced, under the direction of Dr. White, the City Inspector, to take a complete list of the houses in each ward, giving in a book, under proper heads, the street, the number, the owner's name and address, the number of stories and rooms in each house, the number of families and persons each; what the condition is, whether tidy or otherwise; what the ventilation, whether good or bad; what the yards attached to each; and what factories and stables in each street, and what the conditions—healthier or otherwise—of the City inspection will thus afford to the register of the city, a full record, so in each ward and street, and square and alley, in New York, which will be most important for reference for sanitary purposes, in the coming spring and summer. It is the duty of all good citizens to co-operate in great degree with the health officer, him in this work, and it is therefore expected that every householder will give every facility in his power to the obtaining of the desired information. It may not be unnecessary to add, for the information of those who may be possessed of any obstruction that they can offer to heavy penalties if they do so; and no doubt the penal will be inflicted. But few, indeed, will be found who will not co-operate with the efficient City Inspector, to whose activity much credit is given, in great degree, for the healthful condition of the city for the last year, as evinced by the report of the medical public, published on the 1st inst. It is hoped that under the persevering labors of the department, there will be still more rapid progress, and the City Council will lend their assistance to the carry out of all those measures which tend to prevent the generation of disease, or to check it in its progress after it has commenced, its ravages. We trust the popular, especially, will be encouraged, inasmuch as a little of prevention is better than a vast amount of cure.

Fires.—At 3 o'clock, on Monday morning, a fire broke out in a small frame building in Hudson street corner of Hammon, occupied as a second hand boot and shoe store, and took the two wooden dwellings adjoining, and destroyed. So rapid was the progress of the flames, that the inmates of the house where the fire originated, had scarcely time to escape with their lives. The loss is about \$1,500, and nothing but the skill and prompt action of the firemen, who are deserving of all praise, who put out the whole block, consisting, as it did, of frame buildings, would have been consumed. The police of the Ninth and Sixteenth wards were in attendance.

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A ACCIDENT ON THE HARLEM RAILROAD.—On Sunday evening, a collision took place between two mail cars, on the Harlem railroad, near Second avenue, and a man considerably injured. He was conveyed to his residence, 284 West street, by officer Birdsell, of the Eighteenth ward.

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Police Intelligence.

Charge of False Pictures.—Officer Patterson, last Monday, arrested a gaunt looking young man, by the name of John Palmer, who was brought before Justice O'Brien, wherein the defendant is charged with obtaining a bill of merchandise, consisting of groceries, amounting to \$220, from the firm of E. & S. Lyman, wholesale grocers, No. 180 Front street, for false and fraudulent representations.

Mr. Palmer is said to purchase a bill of goods, and in credit, and in order to induce Mr. Lyman to make the sale, Mr. Rickard is alleged to have stated that he was doing a good business, and had invested in the concern a capital of \$40,000, and that he had established himself up to the mark, and that he was much better off than when he commenced. This was about the substance of the alleged false statements, which induced Mr. Lyman to sell the goods.

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An attempt to Bind the Police.—A woman calling herself Anna Drake, applied to Captain Conover, to be allowed lodgings for the night. The captain agreed to allow her to remain, but before she retired for the night, she handed to the captain a gold watch and chain, valued at about \$50. The captain, on asking her where it was, was told it was obtained from her husband, who had sold it to him for a sum far much better off than when he commenced. This was about the substance of the alleged false statements, which induced Mr. Lyman to sell the goods.

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Naval Intelligence.

U. S. storeship *Frolic*, Lt. Com. F. A. Neville, arrived to the Navy Yard yesterday morning, from San Francisco, having been sent to Oregon, Oct. 10. Officers and crew all well. She arrived in the lower bay on Monday evening. The remains of Passed Midshipman Tomcat M'Lanahan, who was killed during the war with Mexico, have been brought home to the U. S. by the steamer *Wasp*.

U. S. sloop of war *Saratoga*, Com. Walker, sailed from Norfolk for East Indies, on the 20th of November.

The U. S. brig *Dolphin*, Captain F. G. Welch, arrived to the Navy Yard yesterday morning, from San Francisco, having been sent to Oregon, Oct. 10. Officers and crew all well. She arrived in the lower bay on Monday evening. The remains of Passed Midshipman G. V. Fox (ex-officer), G. F. Welch, Acting Lieutenant, J. Cornwall, Charles L. O. Hammond, Master, and R. J. Robinson, James E. Hudson, Captain's Clerk, died of dysentery on board the *Dolphin*, the 26th of August, universally regretted by all who knew him.

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